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SENATOR DWORAK: Mr. President, I just in reply to Senator Lewis what might be a good retirement system for teachers may not necessarily be as good a retirement system for county employees. They're two different types of occupations and two different types of situations. I think that the fact that we have a variety of pension plans to offer a different variety of different needs is a good thing. This idea of complete standardization on them, I think . . . I just really haven't seen the argument why the county employees present pension plan requirements at 3 years is wrong and why it should change. I think it's working well and has worked well. I've been involved in these pension plans a little bit and a little bit of the philosophy of pension plans. I don't see where making this qualifying period, or reducing this qualifying period from 3 years to 1 year is doing anything to strengthen the pension plan other than adding administrative burden and cost to the counties. I would still oppose this bill.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on this matter? Chair recognizes Senator Hasebroock for purpose of closing debate.

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Mr. Chairman, I think it's been pretty well discussed. I believe, as Senator Luedtke says, there were no county officials in opposition, or no counties. We haven't heard from any counties opposing this bill. I think it's a good bill. The attempt is for uniformity. I believe in the long run it's going to serve a good purpose. I move that the bill be advanced as amended.

PRESIDENT: The question is the advancement of LB 32. Record your vote. Have you voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays on motion to advance.

PRESIDENT: Bill is advanced. LB 50.

CLERK: Reat title. There are committee amendments, Mr. President, by Senator Hasebroock's Retirement Committee.

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'd like to have Senator Lewis take this bill. It's one that he's more familiar with than any member on our committee.

PRESIDENT: Yes. Chair recognizes Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, the committee amendments are technical amendments in regard to disability and certification of the same, what the physician will certify, how the payments will be computed again. That amendment deals with the disability portion of the bill. I'd ask the adoption of the committee amendment.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion on the committee amendment? The question then . . . you've moved the adoption of the committee amendments Senator Lewis? Question is the adoption of the committee amendments to 50. Record your vote. Please vote. Record.